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LEAKING MUSTARD AGENT DETECTED IN STORAGE IGLOO AT DESERET CHEMICAL DEPOT

DESERET CHEMICAL DEPOT, STOCKTON, Utah -- A trace amount of mustard agent leaking from a bulk container was discovered today during routine operations in a storage igloo at Deseret Chemical Depot.

Depot workers in protective clothing contained the vapor then moved the agent-filled munition to another storage structure where workers will replace the valves with new hardware.

The earth covered storage structures were filtered and no vapor escaped to the environment. Tooele county officials were notified and there was no danger to surrounding communities.

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